



SITUATION SUMMARY

National News - Significant Events

Kansas Workplace Shooting Suspect Identified as Cedric Larry Ford, Sources Say

(ABC News) The man accused of opening fire at a Kansas business and two other locations, killing three people and wounding 14, has been identified as Cedric Larry Ford, 38, according to two law enforcement sources familiar with the investigation. Harvey County Sheriff T. Walton and several employees said the shooter was an employee at Excel Industries in Hesston, the principal target of the shooting spree. Paul Mullet, the president and CEO of Excel Industries confirmed earlier the gunman was a current employee at the company, which manufactures heavy duty lawn care equipment, but did not mention him by name. Ford was shot and killed by police during a gun battle with officers, officials said. Police have not officially identified him. Walton did not cite the motive for the shooting, although he said "there were some things that triggered this incident." Prior to Kansas, Ford previously had lived in Miami, Florida, according to a Broward County Sheriff's Office 2004 arrest record. According to the record and other government records, he was arrested for violating probation stemming from burglary and grand theft charges. He pleaded no contest in the cases, the records say. Ford also had arrests dating back to 1996 in Miami-Dade County, including burglary, concealed firearms and battery charges. The disposition of those cases was not clear. According to the arrest record, Ford had a "Laugh Now Cry Later" tattoo on his right forearm, "No" on his right hand, "Love" on his left hand, "Grim Reaper" on his left forearm, and a Chinese symbol for luck on his neck. According to the sheriff, four were killed, including Ford, and 14 wounded in the workplace shooting. Those who were hospitalized were taken to Newton Medical Center, Wesley Hospital and Via Christi Hospital. Marty Pierce, an Excel Industries employee who witnessed the shooting, says he initially thought the commotion was over a fire in the building -- not a shooting. "I was working in the weld shop...and then some paint people came out and said 'fire! fire,' and I thought the place was on fire," Pierce told KAKE, the ABC affiliate in Wichita, Kansas. "Then I heard 'pop, pop, pop,' and most all of us went out of the side door...We got out safely and all kind of scattered." Pierce, who says there were between 15 and 20 people in the area where he works at Excel Industries, added that the shooter "ran down the hallway [that connects two facility's two buildings] and all the paint people were running away from him."

International News - Significant Events

Syria war rages hours before deal to halt fighting

(Reuters) Heavy air strikes were reported to have hit rebel-held areas to the east of Damascus as fighting continued across much of western Syria on Friday, hours before a U.S.-Russian plan aimed at halting the fighting is due to take effect. The Syrian Observatory for Human Rights monitoring organization reported at least 10 air raids and artillery shelling targeting the town of Douma in rebel-held Eastern Ghouta near Damascus. Rescue workers in the opposition-held area, reporting on their Twitter feed, said there were confirmed civilian casualties but did not say how many. Syrian military officials could not immediately be reached for comment. The "cessation of hostilities" agreement is due to take effect at midnight (5 p.m. ET on Friday). The government has agreed to the plan. The main opposition alliance, which has deep reservations about the terms, has said it is ready for a two-week truce to test the intentions of the government and its Russian and Iranian backers. Damascus has made clear it will continue to target Islamic State and the al Qaeda-linked Nusra Front which are not included in the agreement. The opposition fears the government will continue targeting rebels on the pretext they are jihadists. The government says the agreement could fail if foreign states supply rebels with weapons or insurgents use the truce to rearm. Eastern Ghouta is regularly targeted by the Syrian army and its allies. It is a stronghold of the Jaish al-Islam rebel group, which is represented in the main opposition alliance, and has been used as a Launchpad for rocket and mortar attacks on Damascus. The Observatory also reported artillery bombardment by government forces and air strikes overnight in Hama province, and artillery bombardment by government forces in Homs province. Fighting also resumed at dawn between rebels and

government forces in the northwestern province of Latakia, where the Syrian army and its allies are trying to take back

more territory from insurgents at the border with Turkey. U.S. President Barack Obama said on Thursday the United States was resolved to try to make the deal work but that "there are plenty of reasons for skepticism".

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Weather of Concern

Northern California

- For San Francisco and Monterey counties, powerful forerunner waves will move into the area early this morning. Waves will then build to the 11 to 14 feet range by the evening. Local breakers up to 20 feet will be possible through Saturday morning.
- Lake Tahoe will have wave heights 1 to 3 feet, due to high winds. Small boats will be prone to capsizing and should remain off lake
 waters until conditions improve early Saturday morning.
- Two weak storms will pass over Northern California. The first one will arrive tonight into early Saturday morning with rain and the second weaker storm arrives Sunday afternoon with less precipitation.
- Light dusting of snow possible early Saturday morning above 5500 feet with minimal impacts to mountain travel as snow amounts will be around an inch.

Southern California

- Surf will Increase this afternoon, peaking tonight into Saturday. Breakers of 10 to 15 feet will be common across west and northwest facing beaches. Local breakers up to 18 feet will be possible for beaches in San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties.
- Breakers of 5 to 8 feet will be common across west facing beaches, with local breakers up to 10 feet for Los Angeles County. High surf should diminish late Sunday night.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County:

http://www.wrelative humidity.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa bc cal.php

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

•SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Medford Weather:

Expect an inch or so of rain at the coast and at least a quarter of an inch over inland west side areas this afternoon and evening. We will see breezy winds through the usually windier areas. Snow levels will be high for much of this system.

Eureka Weather:

Light to moderate rain will return to northwest California this afternoon and last through the evening, followed by scattered showers overnight. Dry conditions will return tomorrow and Monday, with additional light rain expected in places Sunday. Chances for more significant rain increase towards the middle and end of next week.

Reno Weather:

Temperatures across northeast California and western Nevada will be well above average today before easing down slightly over the weekend. It will be breezy this afternoon and evening, with a chance for showers mainly north of Interstate 80 tonight and early Saturday. Another weak system is possible Sunday night, with additional fast moving systems for mid to late next week.

Sacramento Weather:

Expect dry weather with above normal temperatures this afternoon. A weak system will bring a chance for light rain, mainly north of interstate 80 this evening into early Saturday, followed by an even weaker system Sunday into Monday morning.

San Francisco Weather:

Slightly cooler temperatures can be expected today as high clouds increase and light onshore flow develops. A weak storm system passing to the north will bring a possibility of light rain to the area this afternoon and evening, primarily to the North Bay area. High surf is expected to impact the coast today into Saturday. Dry weather is expected this weekend with warm temperatures returning next week. Forecast models are trending towards the possibility of rain by the middle of next week.

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY:

Hanford Weather:

Dry weather will continue for the next several days as a ridge of high pressure dominates the pattern. Aside from the possibility of fog in the San Joaquin valley this morning, skies will be mostly clear. High temperatures will continue to be well above normal.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

A weak trough will approach the area on Friday, bringing a cooling trend into the weekend. Temperatures will remain above normal. Well above normal temperatures will return early next week as high pressure builds into the great basin and offshore flow redevelops. A weak front will bring cooling late next week, along with a slight chance of rain north of point conception.

Extreme Southwestern California including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

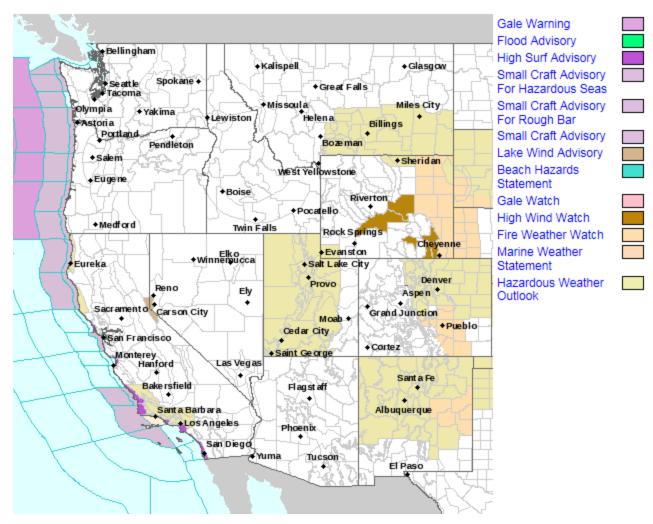
Through Monday, weak onshore flow and a return of the marine layer with areas of night and morning coastal low clouds and fog will bring cooling to near seasonal high temperatures for coastal areas while inland areas remain around 10 degrees above average. It will be a little warmer towards the coast for next Tuesday with weak offshore flow, then gradually cooler for Wednesday through Friday as high pressure weakens.

Southeast California Weather:

Warm and dry conditions will continue through the weekend across the area. A system moving through the area early next week may bring breezy conditions on Monday and Tuesday. Only a slight and brief cool down is expected before another warming trend begins by midweek.



STATE WEATHER MAP



FIRE ACTIVITY

Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php

NWS California River Forecast Center:

http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/



CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident - 2014 Drought

- The SOC is activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-26-14 on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought, specifically through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-29-15 on 04/01/15 which announced actions that will save water, increase enforcement to prevent wasteful water use, streamline the state's drought response and invest in new technologies to make California more drought resilient.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate the Community Impacts Workgroup conference calls. Currently, the calls take
 place on alternating Wednesdays.
- Cal OES Recovery/Individual Assistance finalized an updated 2015 version of the drought brochure of programs and services
 for individuals, businesses, farmers, and ranchers. It has been put on the Governor's Drought webpage. State agencies may
 put the following link to the brochure on their webpage http://ca.gov/drought/pdf/Drought-Assistance-Brochure-2015.pdf
- Cal OES Regions (Inland, Coastal, Southern) collective OA drought call is facilitated by the SOC and will be held once per month.



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Local Emergency Proclamations:

A total of 63 local Emergency Proclamations have been received to date from city, county, and tribal governments, as well as special districts:

- 29 Counties: Butte, Colusa, Calaveras, Del Norte, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Inyo, Humboldt, Kern, Kings, Lake, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Modoc, Plumas, San Bernardino, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, and Yuba.
- 13 Cities: City of Live Oak (Sutter County), City of Lodi (San Joaquin County), City of Manteca (San Joaquin County), City of Montague (Siskiyou County), City of Porterville (Tulare County), City of Portola (Plumas County), City of Ripon (San Joaquin County), City of San Juan Bautista (San Benito County), City of Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara County), City of Rancho Cucamonga (San Bernardino County) and City of West Sacramento (Yolo County), City of Willits (Mendocino County), and City of Fort Bragg (Mendocino County).
- 9 Tribes: Cortina Indian Rancheria (Colusa County), Hoopa Valley Tribe (Humboldt County), Karuk Tribe (Siskiyou/Humboldt Counties), Kashia Band of Pomo Indians of the Stewarts Point Rancheria (Sonoma County), Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians (Madera County) Sherwood Valley Pomo Indian Tribe (Mendocino County), Tule River Indian Tribe (Tulare County), Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation (Yolo County), and Yurok Tribe (Humboldt County).
- 12 Special Districts: Carpinteria Valley Water District (Santa Barbara County), Goleta Water District (Santa Barbara County),
 Groveland Community Services District (Tuolumne County), Lake Don Pedro Community Services District (Mariposa
 Stanislaus County), Mariposa Public Utility District (Mariposa County), Meiners Oaks Water District (Ventura County),
 Montecito Water District (Santa Barbara County), Mountain House Community Service District (San Joaquin County), Nevada
 Irrigation District (Nevada County), Placer County Water Agency (Placer County), Tuolumne Utilities District (Tuolumne
 County), and Twain Harte Community Services District (Tuolumne County).



CAL OES MISSIONS

Ongoing Cal OES Missions

• 2016-LAW-21584, 1545 Hours, 02/21/2016: El Dorado County SAR requested five HRD K9 teams to search near South Lake Tahoe for a missing 69 y/o female who has been missing for five days. The MP is not in good health. Her vehicle was located at a remote parking area. Teams are to meet at EDSO in South Lake Tahoe at 0800. Cal OES K9 coordinator is arranging for the K9 teams. UPDATE: 1915 Hours, 02/23/2016, EDSO is requesting Placer County Nordic SAR team to assist with segmented search and probing. LDO is coordinating. Placer County Nordic SAR, Sgt. Hunt was advised and will attempt to fill the request. Per EDSO a 10 hour search did not produce any results. MISSION SUSPENDED. UPDATE as of 1430 Hours, 02/24/2016: Deputy Leslie Schlag, El Dorado County OES requesting 2-3 avalanche dogs on 2/27/2016, 0730 hours, to meet at the South Lake Tahoe Sheriff's station. LDO is coordinating with Cal OES SAR K9 program for the resources. Mission Ongoing



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.